(b) the quantity of pulses and oilseeds imported during this period; and

(c) the steps taken by government to increase the production of the said items?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) Details are given in the Annexure. *{see appendix 178, Annexure No. 45)*

(b) The quantity of Pulses and Oilseeds imported during 1993-94 to 1995-96 is as under:—

S.No.	Item	(Qty. in Lakh Toones) 1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
1.	Pulses	6.28	5.55	4.50
2.	Oilseeds (Edible Oils)	1.1.5	3.47	9.85

(c) Centrally Sponsored National Pulses Development Project (NPDP) Oilseeds production Programme (OPP) are under implementation in various States in the country to increase the production and productivity of .pulses and oilseeds respectively. Under these programmes, financial assistance is provided for production and distribution of seeds, distribution of minikits, rhyzobium culture, gypsum/pyrities, improved farm implements, sprinkler sets etc. In addition, front-line and general demonstrations are organised on farmer's fields to transfer the production technology.

Rail Track between Dhanbad and Pathardih

2072. SHRI MATANG SINH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the World Bank experts have opined that about 2000 Meters of rail track between Dbanbad and Pathardih joining Eastern Railway with South-Eastern Railway can collaose anv time:

(b) whether it has also been suggested that this line should be diverted immediately for averting any major accident; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) No such report has been received by Eastern Railway from World Bank experts. However, CMD/Bharat Coking Coal Ltd., (BCCL) has advised that a report on the subject matter has been received by them from consultant under Technical Assistance Project of World Bank.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) BCCL authorities have taken necessary action for containing the underground fire by filling trenches with sand/earth etc. This has proved to be effective in containing the fire and there is no immediate danger to railway track.

Creation of the Vice-Principal's Post in Navodaya Vidyalayas

2073. SHRI RAGHAVJI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that posts of Vice-Principals in Navodaya Vidyalayas have recently been created;

(b) if so, the number thereof;

(c) what are the details of norms and rules of their creation and appointment; and

(d) what are the details of those who have since been appointed/promoted thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) 61 posts of Vice-Principals in Navodaya Vidyalayas have been created by the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti.